



Report of Clergy

Fr. Cooper had another engagement so he spoke to the council early. He talked about several new programs that will be coming up.

- Toasting with the Saints! Bourbon and Brotherhood
(*Challenge to be a Father in Pursuit in every aspect of your life, discover the keys to building a strong Christ-centered marriage and gain invaluable tools to guide your children with love, and strength*)
Friday October 17 7-9 PM \$20 Event Speaker – Brian Butler DiCRISTINA'S 226 E. Lockwood St Covington
Must pre-register See the Friday Parish Connection or Bulletin
All Men are invited.
- ACTS – The new men's retreat. Details are still in formation, but it will be offsite and replaces the Men's Welcome retreat previously held on Mary Queen of Peace campus. Fr Cooper is expecting a large turnout from the Knights for this retreat.
- The New Ice Cream machine will have its debut on Hospitality Sunday, October 5th. The Knights are responsible for maintaining and storing this equipment.

Council Report:

The September meeting was held in the School Cafeteria on Tuesday September 16th. We had an Exemplification, Prayed the Rosary, had a meal, which was prepared by Brother Tony Pastorello with the help and support of several Brother Knights (Our Cooking Team), and again they did a wonderful job. We then followed up with the Council meeting.

Exemplification:



New Brother Knights sitting from left to right – Jay Berger, Justin Doles, Christophe Eldridge, Matt Bordelon (2nd & 3rd degree), Steve Cory, and Vinnie Liberto. Standing in the back are the Exemplification Team.

Ushers:

Brother Wiley Conn is still asking for some Knights to become Ushers at the Mass they normally attend. Always, more are needed.

SATURDAY MORNING 6 AM ROSARY

Brother Steve Fradella is grateful for those attending the Saturday Morning Rosary for the unborn. He has seen improved attendance. It starts at 6 am; however you can come any time after 6. It usually ends by 7:15/7:30. Brother Steve sends an Email every Friday reminding everyone of this prayer session. He asked for one Saturday a Month from Brothers. He had an Adoration this past Saturday during the Rosary.

Awards:

Knight of the Month
Steve Fradella



Family of the Month
Tom and Audrey Huck



New Asset

The Ice Cream Machine was purchased through the generous donations of several of our parishioners. The Knights will store it, maintain it, oversee its operation, and its cleaning. As mentioned in Fr Cooper's comments, its debut will be on Hospitality Sunday on October 5th.

MOP Ministry Fair:

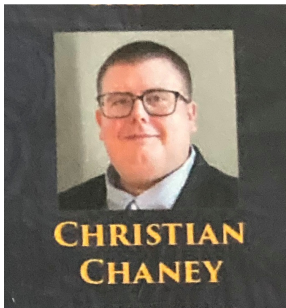
The Annual Ministry Fair was held Saturday & Sunday August 23/24 after all Masses in the cafeteria. This is our big membership recruitment opportunity. We thank all those who helped invite new members to our Ministry, especially our new Membership Directors Mike Rohm and Paul Gardebled. They signed up 15 candidates. Five went through their exemplification during our September meeting and possibly six will go through an exemplification during our October meeting. In addition they have transferred in six men to our council.

Italian Dinner:

The council had an Italian Dinner in the School Cafeteria on Wednesday September 17. Brother Frank Oliveri was responsible for providing a good sauce and we had several compliments on the meals. The proceeds were a fundraiser for MOP school. Meals were \$12 for adults and \$6 for children. It was from 5 to 7 pm. Our plans were to provide 200 meals, but we exceeded that and plated 240 meals making \$2200. We had terrific turnout from our Brother Knights, some of the wives and our parishioners. A shout out has to go to Paul Gardebled's wife Renee who he asked her to make six large pans of blueberry cobbler for our desserts. We did run out of a few desserts at the very end once we surpassed the 200+ mark. From beginning to end it was a great event.

**Donations****RSVP Program for Seminarians**

The RSVP program is sponsored by Supreme Council for local councils to help support Seminarians during their studies. This helps them buy personal items, books and study material. For each \$500 given to a Seminarian, Supreme reimburses the council with \$100. We are Supporting 2 Seminarians, Christian Chaney, who is from MQP parish, and Luke Champagne.



**CHRISTIAN
CHANNEY**



**LUKE
CHAMPAGNE**

Keep Mandeville Beautiful:

There will be a Mandeville Cleanup day on Saturday, September 20th from 9 to 12. Meet at the Lakefront Gazebo at 2129 Lakeshore Drive. There will be free food and t-shirts for those participating. At the present time our council does not have a designated location to clean up.

Soccer Challenge:

A Soccer Challenge will be held at Mary Queen of Peace School at 9 am to 4 pm on Tuesday September 23. Help is needed. We will only have one goal and we have many kids participating. It is during school hours. He would like plenty of help and you do not have to commit to the entire 9 to 4 time frame. Coordinating this is Brother Wiley Conn wileyc@e-connenergy.com, 504-722-7860

5K Fun Run

There will be a Pelican Entergy Run for Hope – 5K or 1 mile Fun Run at Fontainebleau State Park on October 4th, benefitting the Children's Advocacy Center: Hope House. Hope House is an independent, non-profit organization dedicated to ending the cycle of child abuse in our community by providing a path to recovery, a bridge to justice for victims of abuse, and education for the community. Donation of \$20.

Christ in Chaos Meals

Our council has committed to cooking and serving the meals for Christ in Chaos on the first Monday of each month. The next meal is October 6th in the cafeteria. They were very pleased with what the Knights did for the opening meeting in September where we were asked to provide 350 meals. All went well. Future nights will be about 75 meals and will begin at 5:15 PM. The cooking team will provide their expertise. Coordinating this is Brother Wiley Conn wileyc@e-connenergy.com, 504-722-7860

Family Mass

A Knights of Columbus Family Mass will be held October 12th at 9:30 am. Being the Mass where most families bring their children and is the largest of all Masses, we will have more reserved pews to accommodate our families. We hope to have outstanding participation once again. Men are asked to wear a coat if possible and your name badge. Men will meet in the Narthex (back of the church) to go in together while the families will take a seat in the reserved pews.

Special Needs Mass

On the third Sunday of each month Our Lady of the Lake Church has a Mass for those with Special Needs. Mary Queen of Peace Council host these Masses on a rotational basis. Our next assigned Mass is October 19th. Anyone wishing to help with setting up and handing out snacks after Mass contact our coordinator – Brother Knight Don Suntendal 281-813-4937 cdsus10dal@icloud.com

Hazardous Waste Day:

There will be another Hazardous Waste day this year on November 1st in Slidell. It is limited to 500 cars and they have to register to participate. It will be held at the Northshore Square Mall in Slidell from 8 AM to Noon. We normally have several Brother Knights help with this event. They meet at MQP church and carpool together. More to come at the October meeting.

Coordinating this is Brother Chris Erkel cerkel@icloud.com 985- 630-1512

Candle Ceremony:

The annual candle lighting ceremony will be held on Monday November 3rd at the Mandeville Cemetery. Several Brother Knights from our council goes to help place the candles on each grave and lighting them (battery operated tea light candles). The priest from Our Lady of the Lake does a blessing. On Tuesday we are asked to go and pick up the candles. More to come on this at our October meeting.

Gumbo Cook-off:

There will be a chicken & sausage Gumbo Cook-off sponsored by the State Council at St Lukes in Slidell on November 15th. We normally have one or two teams participating. It's 4 Knights per team. Teams are yet to be formed.

Blood Drive:

There will be another Blood Drive in November. Brother Andrew Greco coordinates this event and ask for help in setting up and breaking down after it is over. The Blood drive is from 8 AM to 1 PM. Help is especially needed at 7 AM and 1:30 PM

St Anselm Bowling Tournament:

The annual St Anselm Bowling Tournament will be held November 9 at the Mandeville Bowling alley. Brother Gerard Doyle puts together at least one team to help support St. Anselm's fundraiser.

**Men's Day of Reflection:**

We will have a Men's Day of Reflection at Mary Queen of Peace on November 29th from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM. This is Thanksgiving weekend, but it was the only available time for us to have this. It is \$35 per person and open to all men. Coffee & Donuts in the morning and a council prepared meal for lunch.

Membership Report:

If you know anyone wishing to take advantage of the free membership offer, they can join online at KofC.org/JoinUs, using promo code **BlessedMcGivney** – use Council 12072 as the Preferred Council.

One must then attend an online exemplification or attend an in person exemplification. If they join online, tell them to reply to the verification email sent to their email address after they join.

Virtual Degree exemplification link;

https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1359367&tp_key=9eb24b3a45&sti=on24referral

Contact, Membership Director.

Mike Rohm mwrhml@gmail.com, 504-250-4049

Financial Secretary Report:

Council dues are \$50 and are due every July 1. **Brothers, it is most important for you to pay your dues and back dues.** The dues along with the Fish Fry Fundraiser are the only means to support our donations throughout the year. If you can't pay your dues, please let our Financial Secretary know that you are financially unable to do so. If you have any questions contact the Financial Secretary.

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Send Dues; made out to Knights of Columbus Council 12072

To: **Knights of Columbus Council 12072**
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Patriotic (4th) Degree Information –

If you are a Third Degree Member in good standing, consider reaching even further and obtain your 4th Degree by joining the Assembly, which is the Patriotic Degree. The 4th Degree Knights conduct patriotic programs and they form the Honor Guard.

Any member interested in becoming a Patriotic 4th Degree member, please contact Faithful Navigator --- Bill Treas, wtreas@yahoo.com (985) 206-9651 or Brother Bill McCrossen (770) 354-5379

Future Calendar Items:

- **Pro-Life Rosary** All Saturday's 6 AM @ MQP Church
- Keep Mandeville Beautiful – Sept 20th
- Soccer Challenge – Sept 23rd
- Pelican Entergy Run for Hope Oct 4th
- Hospitality Sunday October 5th (Coffee, Doughnuts, & Icecream)
- Christ in Chaos meal October 6th
- Family Mass – October 12th
- Special Needs Mass – October 19th 3rd Sunday in October
- Hazardous Waste – Sat Nov 1st in Slidell
- Mandeville Cemetery Candle ceremony Nov 3rd
- St Anselm Bowling Tournament November 9th
- Gumbo Cook-Off in Slidell – Nov 15th
- Blood Drive - November

Prayers:

(If you, a brother Knight, or your immediate family member is in need of prayers, please email, Nick Lonergan, at nlonergan@yahoo.com so they can be added to this list.)

Prayers for those in Ukraine:

With the conflict happening in Ukraine today PRAY for the council's two Ukrainian Priest, as well as all affected by the invasion in their country. They have requested we pray for them. Please add them to your prayer list.

- **Auxiliary Bishop Andriy Khimyak**
- **Reverend Oleh Kharyshyn and his family**

Prayers for those in conflict around the world**Prayers for the departed souls:**

- Varney Prejean – Passed away August 6, 2024
- Creryl Collarini – Wife of Richard Collarini passed away Aug 6, 2024
- Jackie Barousse – Mother of Carl Guichard passed away Nov 19, 2024
- Wayne Jenkins – Br. Bryan Jenkins brother Passed away Jan 19, 2025
- Wade Bollette Sr.– Father of Br. Wade Bollette Jr. passed Jan 21, 2025
- Steven Dugal – passed away February 3, 2025
- Steve Fredilla's mom Claire, passed away February 10, 2025
- Ed DiGiovanni passed away March 5, 2025
- Yvonne Bourgeois – wife of Dennis Bourgeois passed March 21, 2025

Prayers for those in need:

- Auxiliary Bishop John Tran
- Frank's daughter-in-laws Allison Courtenay Cancer
- Dulci Heim (Jim Moore's niece) – Colon Cancer
- Bob Guise – Alzheimer's
- Jean-Paul Sustendal – MSRA
- Keri Beckendorf – Leukemia
- Susan Petro – Terminal PTA a neurological problem
- Irv Barousse – Stroke
- Candy Fitch – Cancer
- Charlie Raymond – Broken femur after fall
- Sandy Raymond - Cancer
- Rhett Powers – In Assisted Living
- Donna Tomba – Cancer
- Melody Verges – Cancer
- Tara Huguet - Cancer

Next Council Meeting is Tuesday October 21, 2025

- In Mary, Queen of Peace Cafeteria
- Exemplification at 6:00 pm
- Rosary at 6:30 pm
- Meal at 7:00 pm
- Council Meeting at 7:30 pm



Name Badges

We're all frequently asked to wear name badges and K of C items, especially at volunteer or recruitment events. Have you ever thought how the benefit of wearing our badges goes far beyond these events? Even if you do not work an event, your badge shows your participation.

When you wear your name badge at a church event, parishioners can immediately identify you. They see a trusted person who can answer questions or lend a hand.

Your name badge brands you. It tells everyone you encounter that you are a man of faith, a man of character, a man willing to lend a hand. In short, it tells everyone that you are Knights of Columbus.

You joined the Knights of Columbus, show your pride in it.

Join the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild -

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild serves as a source for information about the life, works and spirituality of Father McGivney. The Guild distributes informational materials about him, receives reports of favors granted through his intercession and oversees the distribution of relics. Guild members receive regular updates on the progress of Father McGivney's cause for canonization and are invited to participate in promoting devotion to this Servant of God. Members of the Knights of Columbus are not automatically Guild members and must elect to join the Guild. The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild Newsletter is published bimonthly except July- August, and is sent free to Guild members. To join the Guild, go to the below web site, fill out the information and submit it. There is no cost to belong,

[Father Michael J. McGivney Guild | Knights of Columbus \(fathermcgivney.org\)](http://fathermcgivney.org)

Parish Information:

Formed.org: Did you know you can watch movies and videos on formed.org? This is free, as MQP has paid for this access. Visit: mqpmandiville.formed.org

KC Apparel - Shirts, Hats, and Aprons:

The link to the website for ordering apparel (Shirts, Aprons, Hats, etc). -- <https://kc12072.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

The council has some Screen Printed WORK T-Shirts, which have the KC Council Logo on the Front with a Large KC Logo printed on the back. They are a light gray. Frank brings them to the meeting for sale at \$20 each. These cannot be ordered online from the Web Site. Contact Frank Oliveri 630-1753

foliveri05@yahoo.com

Safe Environment Trainin

Brother Knights, it is our responsibility as Knights to comply with the Archdioceses rules on Save Environment training for all ministry volunteers that have contact with juveniles. You need to log into your Virtus online account through the Archdiocese of New Orleans, and complete policies related to Safe Environment Training. The policies need to be updated each year in August. The Archdiocese uses VIRTUS for the training. Contact Kari Doyle in the parish office for help

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